

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph on page 1, line 2 with the following amended paragraph.

-- This application ~~claims priority to~~ is a continuation-in-part of International Patent Application Serial No. PCT/US00/14708, filed May 30, 2000, which ~~claims priority of~~ is a continuation-in-part of and claims the benefit under 35 USC §119 of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/322,516, filed May 28, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,245,107. ~~and~~ This application also claims priority to U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/148,913, filed August 13, 1999, the entire contents of each application being incorporated herein by reference. --